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Effective today, Tuesday, November 15, 2005, “OMNI BANK of Baton Rouge” located at 7150 Jefferson Highway, Suite 680, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana, opened for business. “OMNI BANK of Baton Rouge” will commence operations with approximately \$5.4 million in capital and will also operate an administrative office located at 6300 Corporate Boulevard, Suite 120, Baton Rouge. A permanent facility will be constructed at the Towne Center Development at the corner of Towne Center Boulevard and Jefferson Highway in the very near future. Julio Alberto Melara will serve as Chairman of the Board, James Michael Hudson as Chief Executive Officer, Wayne Carl Theall as Chief Financial Officer, and Walter Michael Anderson, Sr., as President of the new commercial bank.

Commissioner John Ducrest stated that “this is the first new commercial bank to be established in Baton Rouge since August 1999. I am confident that bank management has the desire, expertise, and resources to play an integral role in business development in East Baton Rouge and surrounding parishes in the future.”

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